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"THE GERMAN VOTE."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SIT: We are threatened with the "German vote." It is being thundered at us from the rostrum and from various German-American publications. From these sources Americans are deluged with adverse criticism and presumptuous advice.

If I were permitted to address a few remarks to the ardent advocates of German militarism who are conducting this anti-American movement they would be somewhat as follows:

To the anti-American Germans: oppressive military aristocracy.

beings in uniform and upturned mus- affame? How sudden! taches. You were so unhappy that you there.

You swore allegiance to our flag welcomed. You shared in our Gov-Your new freedom was glorious. You loved it-wallowed in it. And you prospered in it.

And now you are preparing to smite Uncle Sam.

ica. It is over the sea in the land of blood and iron-especially blood.

ians and annex their little country. glad he approved of Austria's awful conditions on the Mexican side.

At the word of your master, then, millions of human beings have died. reduced to poverty, and the work of reports investigated by some trustyour beloved Emperor is not yet fin- worthy agent like General Hugh L. sched, for the blood of millions more Scott, who is now on the border. Putimperial way.

voice. You have not been American son's "reign of terror." citizens long enough to breed out this spirit of subserviency to aristocracy Change in German Commanders at and to the rule of divine right.

You cannot resist the call of milltarism. You scream with joy at every victory that promises to bring democracy in Europe to the feet of the German military clique.

You demand that Americans applaud every barbarous, murderous act which he recently received or to discommitted by Germany in this fright- satisfaction with his services. ful war. Your Fatherland has vio-

to oppose American national defence that Von Sanders himself assumed that Germany may not be hampered more authority than Enver was will-"when the time comes." Through you ing to yield to him. This dissatisfac-Germany proposes to do to America tion with the German commander is

Our Government is to be Kaiser- not inflicted by the enemy but by ized. Your success in intimidating a Turkish troops. few public men and newspapers in cities where the German element is

mies, the Allies. Are they demand-

you Germans who are undertaking to Duke has had, it is said, no active ex- middle West that almost ruined the CARRANZA'S POINT OF VIEW. dictate the American foreign policy? perlence with Ottoman troops. The their business as American citizens, purpose of improving the defensive and unlike you they will vote as American citizens.

Your absurd propaganda is doing nothing more than to seriously offend loyal Americans. You represent but a small portion of the so-called German-American vote. Get the notion out of your head that American 39 conscience and sense of justice is in your keeping: that you alone possess this crisis. Resume your allegiance to the Stars and Stripes and be quiet. for you will not be permitted to influence in the slightest degree the foreign policy of the American Government. Otherwise, vamose!

AMMI WRIGHT. New York, August 12.

On the Mexican Border.

The most serious phase of the Mex havior of the people of Vera Cruz. but what Governor Ferguson of border troubles." Who is responsible the requirements of the service. for "the reign of terror" the Governor speaks of when he tells Mr. Wilson that "a great service would be rendered if you could double the size of border"?

Why should the news sources along the Rio Grande become so suddenly hysterical? Texas has a population of more than 4,000,000, and 10,000 regulars are in garrison on or within twelve hours march of the line, and can control." No native on the spot could be deceived by such a fabrication, and we suspect that there is method in it. Somebody is stirring ing plan. up trouble on the border for a purpose not difficult to guess. It may have been noticed that whereas "outtages" were lately sporadic, they are now general and Americans along the international line are sleeping on their Do you remember why you left arms. Is it not singular that the Germany? It was to escape a nar- change for the worse, this eruption of row, restricted existence under the brigandage and rallying of Mexicans domineering, swashbuckling rule of an to do battle with the hated "gringos," has occurred since Mr. Wilson be You were tired of being elbowed gan to overhauf his policy of "watchoff the sidewalks by superior young ful waiting"? The whole border

No doubt the decline in General neither your passion for German kul- VILLA's fortunes accounts in part for tur nor the ties of blood could keep disorders truthfully reported: the border always has its lawless characters revolution has swelled their numbers and institutions. You were warmly and VILLA being no longer feared there is more horse stealing, cattle lifting and looting than ever. Surely it is incredible that Mexicans in organized bodies are overrunning Texas counties, pillaging and murdering, with intent to provoke hostilities the hand that succored you when you with General Funston's troops. were starving for freedom and a fair Governor FERGUSON asks the Presichance in life. Now you have noth- dent to believe that "any unusual ocing but ridicule and contempt for currence would cause a disastrous that the present Chamber is not repinvasion of Texas from Mexico." Has

the Governor lost his head? General Function, who always has his wits about him, intimates that the will be the third or fourth Exec- ho The Kaiser and his military ad- politicians have a hand in the busirs decreed that the blood of mill- ness. However that may be, there sons should be shed rather than that are signs of an agitation to force ach other in such rapid succession in late years that the elections of the commune and the signs of an agitation to force ach other in such rapid succession in late years that the elections of members of the Commune and the signs of an agitation to force ach other in such rapid succession in late years that the elections of members of the Commune and the signs of an agitation to force ach other in such rapid succession in late years that the elections of members of the Commune and the signs of an agitation to force ach other in such rapid succession in late years that the elections of members of the Commune and the signs of an agitation to force ach other in such rapid succession in late years that the elections of members of the Commune and the signs of an agitation to force ach other in such rapid succession in late years that the elections of members of the Commune and the signs of an agitation to force ach other in such rapid succession in late years that the elections of members of the Commune and the signs of an agitation to force ach other in such rapid succession in late years that the elections of members of the Commune and the signs of an agitation to force ach other in such rapid succession in late years that the elections of members of the commune ach other in such rapid succession in late years that the elections of members of the commune ach other in such rapid succession in late years that the elections of members of the commune ach other in such rapid succession in late years that the elections of members of the commune ach other in such rapid succession in late years that the elections of members of the commune ach other in such rapid succession in late years that the elections of members of the commune ach other in such rapid succession in late years that the elections of members of the commune ach other in such rapid succession in late years that the elections of the commune ach other in such rapid succession in late year ing disorders that are perhaps on the He tells us in a recent bulletin he is increase as the result of unsettled

Mr. Wilson is not a man to be

stampeded. At the same time the propaganda with which he has to which the United States has supported at contend is dangerous He would be Millions have been maimed; millions well advised to have the alarming will be on his hands if he has his ting their heads together Funston mperial way.

and Scorr could learn what foundation have heard your master's and Scorr could learn what foundation there was for Governor Fergu.

larger share in the government and lunches, teas, receptions, matiness, dinmake the President responsible to ners, lectures and philanthropies.

the Dardanelles.

The recall of General LIMAN VON SANDERS, the German officer who has been directing the Turkish army on the Gallipoli peninsula, at the present critical stage of the Dardanelles operations may be due to the wounds

It is very evident that the Teutonic lated our sea rights, destroyed our allies are taking a renewed interest property and killed our innocent non- in these operations and are endeavorcombatant citizens. It ignores our ing to strengthen in every way posprotests and denies us reparation, sible the defences of Constantinople, These acts you approve and you ex- The reports would indicate that Gen- vided in the matter. The "re" continpect us to rejoice with you when they eral von Sanders and the Turkish gent is backed by one of the newspa leader, ENVER Pasha, have not been You organize fake peace societies working in complete harmony and with ballots what she is trying to do it was reported that the wounds from ple of not only the town but the

VON SANDERS has had an unusually large has befogged your judgment. man army, and he is credited with Germany's entrance into the politics having done much to develop its orof this country is an example of the ganization and training. His influ-"German spirit" that is to dominate ence was shown in the efficiency of the world. It is the same domineer- the mobilization at the time of the cur. Temples at The Hague augment ing, brutal and barbaric instinct that entrance of Turkey into the war. He no one's income. The most convincing prompted the rape of Belgium and received his instruction in Turkish that induced the leader of your move- affairs from General von DER GOLTZ. ment to enter the French pavilion at who was in charge of the first Gerthe Panama-Pacific Exposition a few man Military Mission, and succeeded

His successor is the Grand Duke in this country of Germany's ene- FREDERICK FRANCIS of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, a General of the Prussian ing that America go to war to help cavalry and a brother-in-law of the them? Are they organizing to oppose German Crown Prince. The Grand one of the strong organizations of the

Unlike you, they are going about change was no doubt made for the operations at a time when the Allies are putting forth their greatest efforts to win. If it should indicate, too that the ambitious Enven is trying to manage the campaign himself the new commander has no easy task be-

The Skyseraper Post Office.

The Post Office Department, a desthe wisdom to guide our country in patch from Washington says, is contemplating the building of skyscraper post offices. The experiment, it is added, is to be tried in Chicago, where an appropriation of \$1,750,000 for a site has been voted by Congress, and the structure is to rise ten stories above the street.

The consideration governing the present type of post office building is said to be the necessity of doing all the work upon the ground floor. But why the architecture is what is gencan situation to-day is not the be- erally styled in guide books either "Renaissance" or "Corinthian" can be no more comprehended than why the Texas in his emergency telegram to quarters in most offices are poorly fit-President Wilson calls "the Mexican ted for the work and inadequate to

The increase in the postal busines the past few years caused by the extension of the rural free delivery and the parcel post has made imperative Is the Solution to This Problem Imyour army now on the Mexican demand for more commodious offices in the city, while it has wiped out as Chicago have been so rapid "that be- on the impossible. fore the present building could be completed the space it provided was completed the space it provided was own! It would seem that a great mayet Laredo hints mysteriously at "an found inadequate." The appropriation of both sexes are slaves to the attempt to turn Texas back to Mexition would, according to his estimate, frivoities and fashions of the present buy sufficient ground if the new build-

Taking into consideration the price those "Renaissance" structures built of "our own superior limestone, sir."

The Presidential Farce in Hayti.

The Haytian Chamber of Deputies in which body the election of Presi-

Boso and other revolutionary leaders will be satisfied with the work of the Chamber of Deputies. They maintain resentative, and that is probably the case. The Presidential term is seven years, but Senator Darriguenave we like to cultivate a wider utive of the nation in a period of lensive brotherly charity, less material. Jacinto Trevino.

eighteen months. In fact, the Presiment of these qualities mad develop. Zapata controls only the small State dents of Hayti have been following guish man from the lower animals. The Senate as well as of the President and unaccountable. have become farcical, a manifest per-version of the Constitution. This is we may strive to be, one has a sort of have become farcical, a manifest perthe travesty of popular government sees the effects of Cupid's magic wand which the United States has supported at the summer resorts, when the breezes and has lately landed marines to

maintain. After reorganizing the Haytlan finances the first step should be to them. It is likely the United States work alone. There are many of them will have Hayti on its hands for an who fairly radiate the love of the beautindefinite period.

There is not a night I don't pray be-fore I go to bed for the safety and pro-tection of our President.—Vice-President

In which respect Mr. MARSHALL has nothing, as the phrase goes, on the rest of the American people.

A Kansas town is in a controversy that may result, according to the des patches, in "a riot and possible bloodshed" over the spelling of its name The question is shall the Centre of Smith Centre be with an "re" or an pers, which will print it no other way

in its columns, and: "Even in job work no other way of spelling the name is tolerated, and if a customer insists on having it 'er' he is oldly cited to the other printery.

This controversy has gone on for The Commercial Club has called a meeting "to pass upon town's name should be spelled." If it fails, why not leave the matter to the Simple Spelling Board?

Let us spend no more money for building temples at The Hague.—The Gov-ernor of Wisconsin.

A sentiment in which the Prince of demonstration for peace is the purchase of a season ticket on the Chautauqua lecture circuit.

days ago with a company of his friends him as the head of this mission in Marshall remarked that the real trouble down there was that there was no Vice-President.—Despatch from Kansas. Even Mexican clouds, it seems, have

ancient profession of horse stealing, is keeping up with the times by becoming also the Anti-Automobile Thief Association. The secretary of the

combination announces: "We intend to form such an organicar owners that it will be impossible for any one to get away with

The farmers in these days of great rope have all taken to automobiles and there are no longer any horses for thieves to steal; but it is not every association that has officers who know to keep up with the times and cling to their honors and jobs.

The machinery of the franchise might operate with much less friction if there were a few United States Admirals among the election inspectors.

General VILLA's proposal of a three months truce in Mexico comes about three months too late. The Carranzistas in possession of both Vera Cruz and Mexico city will be in no mood to pay any attention to him. Had Villa been as peacefully inclined when he n as peacefully inclined when he held the capital the "revolution" might be over by this time and a constitu tional President scated.

One deplorable effect of the Europe war is the check in the production of good music.—JOHN PHILIP SOURA. The practical person now remarks: country if I may make its shells."

UNMATED HEARTS. possible?

many as two or three thousand smaller offices. Byron R. Newton, acting Secretary of the Treasury, says that the growth of the postal needs in solutions to most all life's problems, and yet here is one you bare which borders

be only about one-fourth enough to day, still there are many "sweet, womtheir sweetness in some secluded spo-

But even with defeat in sight many Taking into consideration the price a victory has been won. Always keep tionalis of real estate and the present urgent in mind a vision of the ideal and some ing it needs of efficiency and space, there are some commendable features in the towering post office. But before going too far in the project the case of the Congressman who had promised the strains of a Chopin nocturne or a second control of the deal and some day the dram may come true. It has been said: "Seek and ye shall find," but I cannot give information at just what station to commence the journey the congressman who had promised the strains of a Chopin nocturne or a second control of the deal and some day the dram may come true. It has been said: "Seek and ye shall find," but I cannot give information at just what station to commence the journey.

witty and vivacious letter of Mr. Dan-vers in The Sun on the subject of unvers in The Sun on the subject of unmated souls touched a responsive chord in a fellow bachelor's heart.

hard on those whose palates are ttuned to the Neronian nightingales

interpreting the master musician's wonderful works, and yet have such a fondness for pie, for instance, the constant
Governors appointed by Senor C
Governors appointed by Senor C
Governors appointed by Senor C faults if there are any.

Yes, the bachelors are not such bad fellows. We like to hear beautiful voices, happy people who irradiate our mortal life with their own happiness thought the happy accidental meeting, elusive

vague and exuberant optimism when one waft the strains of sweet music, the moonlight touches with silver sheen the spray of the waves from the lake, and mance is in the air.

There are many charming creatures bring about amendments of the Constitution that will give the people a and eligible man when they (the charming creatures) are dragged around to

> ful, the artistic and the useful, who are broad minded, kindly hearted human beings with high ideals and withal a beings with high ideals and withal a source of humor, and yet whose lives somehow seem rather empty. And they are perfectly willing to grant to women all the rights which they themselves demand, knowing full well that unless they do so they will live in a sort of spiritual prison.

And to think of the many unmarried And to think of the many unmarried women whose mission is divine and whose snowy natures lead like tracks of light upward. No wonder the men have such high ideals. And if man's womanly ideal often appears to elude the grasp, still, striving after her does not always

Yes, there are heaven blest Beatrices for all the wandering Dantes on earth. The best woman realizes her vast power for good, she knows full well the ravish ment that lies in the kindling power of her eyes and the thrill her touch can impart to some one man and the wild vibrations of entrancing music her tones msy call up in the swelling bosom she might quicken. 'Tis nature! Isn't it strange, the fraility of a strong

man's heart when a good woman's power is laid on it? Ah! It does seem that a woman's very highest mission in life is o make some one man supremel happy, yet often she is compelled to ex-claim, "Where is that one man?" JOHN EDWARD ALLISON, Jr. FAIR HAVEN, Vt., August 12.

Do Bachelors Believe Married Happiness Is an Illusion?

THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SIT While Mr. Danvers's letter in THE SUN as interesting reading, still I for one do not entirely agree with him in his premises. I think that if marriages are decreasing it is for some good reason, even if there are some bachelors whose

Her Type. Stella-Is she a good housewife? Bella-No, you might call her a garage

His Occupation. Mrs. Knicker—Whiskey is shocking. Weary Willie—Yes'm; I'm looking for job as a shock absorber.

His Confidential Representative Discusses the Situation.

To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: am grateful to you for the publication in THE SUN of my letter dated August 7. THE SUN is impartial in giving the friends of Mr. Carranza, First Chief of the Constitutionalist Army of Mexico, an opportunity to lay before the American public the views of their party, which has succeeded in establishing a strong and orderly government in Mexico. For more than two years the Govern-

the United States has been with First Chief Carranza through different ne has received in a friendly way. The claims of these representatives in berepresentatives, whom claims of these representatives in be-half of the American Government have always received perfect attention from the Constitutionalist Government, and Carranza, as far as the ies of a state of war have permitted t, has endeavored to comply with Mexinternational obligations.

co's international obligations.

Lately, on account of alarming information coming from Mexico city, nine times out of ten from enemies of Mr. Carranza, the American Government has been urging the First Chief of the Constitutionalist Army, through its representatives of the processity of affordesentatives, of the necessity of afford ig guarantees to foreigners in Mexico keep railway communication open ween Vera Cruz and the city of Mexico, and to facilitate the work of listributing food by the American Red

All these requests have been heeded and strong measures have been adopted to alleviate the situation. Gen. Pablo to alleviate the situation. Gen. Pablo Gonzales, immediately after capturing the city of Mexico, issued a military decree punishing with capital penalty any attempt against property or the lives of natives and foreigners resid-ing in the city of Mexico. Railway communication between Vera Cruz and Mexico has been kept open, and the American Red Cross has now all kinds of facilities to proceed in its humani-tarian work of relieving the sufferings exceedingly small part of opulation who are in distress.
On the other hand, the American Gov.

ny Mexican representative of the Con stitutionalist Government. The requests of the Carranza Government are never heeded, and whenever the First Chief has had the upper hand, and been ing was constructed upon the prevailand many wholesome men living a life in Mexico, some new plan has been dethere sweetness in some sectuded spot, the verge of restoring peace and order
and many wholesome men living a life in Mexico, some new plan has been devised in the United States aiming to the verge of restoring peace and order debilitate the authority of the Con tionalist Government, ing it in its hard task to reestablish peace and constitutional government.

Other nations have followed the steps of the United States, placing Mr. Car-ranza in an embarrassing and unfair the Congressman who had promised the strains of a Chopin nocturne or a Beethoven sonata may reach the ears and heart of the listener and bear magic block "on Main street adjoining the park" should be considered in all of the strains of a Chopin nocturne or a Beethoven sonata may reach the ears and heart of the listener and bear magic L. M.

WATERBURY, Conn., August 11.

How Are the Many Romeos to Meet the pourney. The park is the project the case of the strains of a Chopin nocturne or a Beethoven sonata may reach the ears sentatives in Mexico, to listen to the demands of such Governments and to fulfill international obligations, notwith-standing the fact that he has been denied the right to appoint representatives to foreign Governments, to subblock "on Main street adjoining the park" should be considered in all of its bearing. It may thus be some the Walting Juliets?

To the Editor of the Sun—Sir: The only Government which has the control of nine-tenths of the Maxican republic mitters.

From the twenty-seven States of the In a fellow bachelor's heart.

Isn't it too bad that some people show an incapacity for connoisseurship in the sister arts of cookery and music? It is rather hard on those whose palates are to say, of the States of Yucatan, Chiapas, Campeche, Tabasco, Guerrero and Oaxaca. In the centre and in the north of Mexico the Government of the First Chief controls the States of Vera in which body the election of President is vested by the Constitution, chose Scentor Suddent is vested by the Constitution of Mexico the Government of the First Chief controls the States of Vera Cruz, Puebla, Hidaigo, Tlaxcala, Mexico, Guanajuato, Jalisco, Colima, San Luis Potosi, Zacatecas, Tamaulipas, Nuevo Leon, Sinaloa, Aguascalientes, Querelia, Colima Suddent is vested by the Constitution, chose Scentor Suddent is vested by the Constitution of Mexico the States of Vera Cruz, Puebla, Hidaigo, Tlaxcala, Mexico, Guanajuato, Jalisco, Colima, San Luis Potosi, Zacatecas, Tamaulipas, Nuevo Leon, Sinaloa, Aguas pending the elections of constitutional lovernors as soon as conditions make t possible to hold the same. Villa has control only of the whole Govern

State of Chihuahua, part of Coahuila one month because of the pressure of rison, a more genuine and compre- the armies of Generals Obregon and

which distin- of Morelos, the smallest in the re-Senor Carranza has a well organized army of about one hundred and thirty-five thousand men, well equipped and disciplined, while Villa has only about eight thousand men left and Zapata six thousand, all of them poorly armed

his place. Of course such plan cannot be carried into practice without the armed support of the United States Army, which means a disastrous war between two friendly nations and the to our criminal jurisprudence. tearing to pieces of the sovereignty of to our criminal jurisprudence.

Mexico.

This is the reply to the friendly consideration that First Chief Carranza and his followers, through two years of a fearful struggle for liberty and constitutional government, have tendered to nited States. HERIBERTO BARRON. WASHINGTON, August 11.

Board of Education?

To the Editor of The Sun-Sir: A test of the seriousness of the reported depletion of the pension fund for retired teachers under consideration in the Board of Education of this city will me when the usual monthly payment; a due on September 1. The withhold-ng of a portion even of this allowance will prove very disquieting to those to whom the rumor has already come by way of the newspapers.

The annual pension, amounting to out half of the teacher's grade salary at the date of retirement for perhaps wer 90 per cent. of those retired, will verage about \$750, roughly estimated, ot an extravagant allowance upon which more than one person, in many instances, are to subsist. It should be noted that only compara-

tively recently have the authorities been made intelligent on the subject of the essential elements of any safe and permanent basis for pensioning its em-ployees. Meanwhile an important feature of the existing issue should be considered in justice to those who constitute the present list of pensioners of the Board of Education, namely, that these teachers up to the date of legally enacted retirement had performed their share of requirements of a contract of share of requirements of a contract endecreasing it is for some good reason, even if there are some bachelors whose hearts are "willing" but whose purses are light.

I fully believe that bachelors have to a great extent deliberately made up their minds to "go it alone" as married happiness is an illusion.

JOHN J. KELLT.

LONG ISLAND CITT, August 12.

See The some good reason, share of requirements of a contract entered into by them in absolute trust and good faith with the city of New York, by which, on the payment of certain sums of money, &c., they have acquired an equily which it would seem difficult to set aside or modify: and in the case of the teachers of Brooklyn this status was "copper lined and double riveted" by the laber act of consolidation.

It is now conceded on all sides that a scientifically reconstructed basis for our share of requirements of a contract en scientifically reconstructed basis for ou municipal pension funds must be estab-lished. The matter should be in course

> faithful servitors now retired are entitied to consideration. JOHN Y. CULTER. New York, August 12.

OUR GERMAN POLICY.

A Neutral's Idea as to What We Should Have Done.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Even at the risk of being thought pro-Ger-man, let me beg your indulgence for a few remarks on the present con and the submarine warfare in general As a preliminary, however, I may observe that I am not pro-German, neither am I pro-Ally in the sense of believing England an angel just descended from heaven or in wishing to see Russia dominant in Europe, for that is what the crushing of Germany will inevitably mean, at least as regards the power of the Russian army. That, however, is what the fire eating enemies of Germany will not see, nor will they admit that there is anything the there is anything to be said in extenua

straits, they might act similarly. As a matter of abstract right there can be no question that our position as set forth in our various notes to Germany is unassallable as a nation, to decide the controversy between Germany and England regarding their respective violations of international law, so long as the rights and lives of our citizens are not violated; but that when these are at stake we shall protest, and if needs be act, "from whatever quarter violated, without com-promise and at any cost." But do we want was So far so good.

with Germany at "any cost," and is there no other course than to insist on the absolute, uncurtailed enjoyment our rights, without respect to the perate character of the conflict nor to the fact that the submarine is the one sesses against England's maritime supremacy? In view of the uncompro-ing nature of the struggle, and of very serious divergence of the thies of the American people and of our highly laudable desire to keep out our highly laudable desire to an of the conflict by all proper means, can of the conflict by all proper means, can we not, as a nation, abstain from in-sisting on our right to travel on English vessels, and use American, Dutch, vessels, and use American, Dutch, Scandinavian and other neutral vessels Can any one possibly see in such an attitude any real curtailt of our national dignity? Do we all frequently surrender certain of abstract rights for the sake of avoiding unpleasant consequences? When we insist upon using that street as a thoroughfare when there are plenty of other streets open to us?

other streets open to us?

We must persist, it seems, in travelling on British ships, at any cost to ourselves and to the nation. Frankly, such a course seems to me pigheaded, and hence the height of foolishness. Whatthe war, about the violation of Belglum and the dangers of militarism, the fact remains that Germany, like France the and, in a lesser degree, England is at not the elightest intention of throwing In his note of May 18 President Wil-

explicitly admitted the impossibil-of conducting submarine warfare against merchantmen in a so-called legal submarine to visit a merchantman at sea and examine her papers and cargo."
Yet in the last note, that of July 23, he "The events of the past possible and practicable to conduct such submarine operations as have character-ized the activity of the imperial German navy within the war zone in sub a contradiction between the two posi-tions that the events of the period re-

We have drawn the baue with Germany, and there is, of course, now nothing to do but to "see it through"; but those of us who do not orefer war to peace may still be althe gauntlet would have been unecessary had our psychology been a tile sounder, had we possessed the abil-

ty to "put ourselves in the other fel-ow's place."

W. WHITELOCK, Ph. D. NEW YORK, August 12.

THE PROPOSED PUBLIC DE-

That there is urgent need for the adoption of this simple, just and fundamentally sound idea is best illustrated by the well founded criti-cisms which have been aimed at the present system by competent authorities. by the attacks which are frequently and publicly made in the press against pre-

fice in the various communities where it has been practically tested.

The public defender idea contemplates a "square deal" in our courts to all classes of accused persons, the development of the theory of "equality before the law" into an accuality, the effective realization of the theory of the "presumption of innocence" which attaches to accused persons, and the full-taches to accuse the classes of the previous German note. Except in the mind of "Except in the mind of "

taches to accused persons, and the fullest guarantee to them of their constitutional rights through a proper and adequate defence, and the approach to a higher ideal in our criminal courts and in the administration of justice.

The arguments in favor of the proposed change so greatly outweigh the objections thereto, either from the standpoint of economy, efficiency or justice, that it is strange indeed that our enlightened and progressive civilization has failed to recognize certain fundamental propositions of abstract right which were known to and practised by European countries centuries ago. The legal profession should be the first to grasp the significance, necessity and merit of the significance, necessity and merit of an idea which is essentially humane and progressive, and it is hoped that lawers and others who believe that the prosed change is designed to correct a radical defect in our criminal system will vigorously and promptly urge fa-worable action by the Constitutional Convention on the pending public defender amendment. MAYER C. GOLDMAN. NEW YORK, August 11.

To the Editor of The Sun-Sir: Hurra or Italy! It is reported that the rail oad employees of Milan and Rome fused the extra pay offered by their Government for the extra work done by them on the mobilizing of their army, eaving:

"We would feel ourselves humiliated if we were not willing to give our toil while others give their lives for their country."

There is a sentiment worthy of heing the country of the country of the country of the country. There is a sentiment worthy of being there on the sporting page outlined:

"TY Cobb he leads them yet."

with other noble and much forgotten and fifty years from now I'll meet

corless of develop to the pation which the of earnest preparation and should be adopted with as little delay as possible, if the comfort and happiness of many stories of devotion to the nation which the old Rome gave voice to.

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Possible Causes of the Nervous Strain on Women Teachers.

To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Reftroller to the fact that the public school teachers have easy lives. "By their fruits shall ye know them." Is there any profession, is there any walk in life, where the work has such deleterious effects upon those practising the occupation Any person in the public school system in New York city is painfully aware of the ravages that school teaching makes upon the practitioners. How often young healthy womanhood upon their faces enter the profession and in a compara-tively brief period fade into the traditional "dried up old maid school teach

Why is this? The same educated young woman had she entered into other walks of fe male activity, and had she become either a stenographer, a secretary, a librarian en's wear department store, a journalist a book canvasser or a social service agent, would not begin to show the marked physical and nervous deterioration that evidences itself so rapidly in Prendergast laughed at. those that take up school teaching. is the cause of this?

The preparation for this work in the eight years course at high school and college, strenuous as it may be, appar-ently leaves them in full possession of their physical and mental faculties. And yet an equal period of time spent in the class room invariably turns nervous and physical wrecks.

Measured by the time demanded in ance for necessary home work, the hours of the school teachers are comparatively the Public Service Commission and the attractive. We should then look for the Board of Estimate, by a writ of mandacause elsewhere than in the time spent in teaching. Perhaps the harm is due rather to the excessive drain upon their vital and psychic forces, engendered by

the character of the work.

Is it due, in these days of moral suarion, salely to the continuous, seared nervous tension they undergo six hours a day, controlling by sheet strength of will and intensity of personality fifty restless, impulsive, healthy little animals, inhibited from pursuing their natural tendencies, or may it not

May it not perhaps be due in great part to the unspoken fear, the hidden trepidation, the impending obsession that langs over the head of every class room teacher in our public schools?

Is it not due to the highly organized system of esplonage that permeates our

op heavy school system?

Is it not due to the countless methods supervision, reportings, ratings, clasharried, hustling class room drudge, bent shoulders the bearing upon her ystein has so laboriously and so comlexly piled up?

Is it not due to the fact that the exploited worker of the class room, with her congenitally finely organized nervous structure, realizing, through imparted tenure. perfect tenure of office and relentless machinelike drive from above npotence as an individual, that dare not become vocal and speak injustice done to her, reacts upon her nerves and turns her in a brief period of time into the pitiful nervou and prematurely old woman that every fine young blooming school teacher so hopefully enters the system is NEW YORK, August 10.

Another Suggestion for a United States English Dictionary. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SIT:

which Dr. Vizetelly develops in his "Essentials of English Speech," published last spring (page 172). There he says: Take astronomy, botany, blology, chem-istry, entemology, geology, ichthyology, morphology, mycology, pathology, physiology. Examine the text books on these sub-The result of such a com parison in the present state of lexicology will prove a revelation. The dictionaries day are made so that they shall prove of the greatest use to the greatest of the board. In essential particulars they are the people rather than for to his particular study must turn to his text books to find it. This in interest charges. The section condition is due to the fact that to produce the Holbrook company had agree Argument in Favor of the Creation is due to the fact that to produce the Holbrook company had agreed to disciplined, while Villa has only about thousand men left and Zapata six thousand, all of them poorly armed and equipped.

Now, when is the First Chief of the Constitutionalist Army entitled to recognition by the United States? The impression is given by articles and reports published in the press, which goes far as to quote utterances from the Secretary of State, that a new plan less than the elimination of First Chief Carranza and the designation of a man known by no one, nor by what authority he is to be appointed, to take his place. Of course such plan cannot be carried into practice without the armed support of the United States. a dictionary in which every word used in build is a vital link in the dual system produce such a magnum opus is in the American universities; all that is needed to set it to work is the founding of a great oversity to be opened on September \$ fund which shall be sufficient to finance

The question is. Who will endow the The question is, who will fund to produce such a work?

John Davidson. VALLEY COTTAGE, August 12.

To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: It and to conjecture why THE SUN EN publicly made in the property of the substitute PENSIONS FOR TEACHERS. fair discriminations in our courts, and the highly successful result of the administration of the public defender's of fice in the various communities where has but two antecedents, the United

Tired of Tyrus. d like to go away and hit The hay in some nice quiet spet, Peruse some sporting page to wit Where Tyrus Cobb is not.

I long to locate some seres

Sequestered nook beyond the reach Of Ty and his swatting machine; I'm tired of this peach. From Chaplin and his cuts Would be a dream of pure delight;
But such a hope is rash.

And never, never see again The near bunk Chaplins' splaying feet; Such bliss, alas! is vain The same old mossy news, you bet.

Ah, me! to wander down some street,

And nity years (Chaplins, aye!

An army of punk Chaplins, aye!

With splay hoofs gliding down the stree MOBACE SBINOUS KELLES.

DRUDGERY OF TEACHING. CLIPPED CONTRACTS STIR SUBWAY ROW

Threats of Suits When Estimate Board Cuts Extra Work Provision.

AFFECTS \$5,580,541 BIDS

The Board of Estimate, by eliminating from \$5,580,541 worth of subway com tracts yesterday a clause permitting the contractor and the chief engineer of the Public Service Commission to agree on a lump sum to be paid by the city for extra work, drew threats of litigation and long delay which Acting Mayor Mc. Aneny took seriously and Comptrolle One of the contracts, for nearly to

000,000, was awarded some time ago by the Public Service Commision to the Hofbrook, Cabot & Rollins Company. is for the construction of the Broadway subway, between Thirty-eighth and Fifty-first streets. The attorney for this corporation, ex-Lieut.-Gov. Thomas, F Conway, said last night that he would sak the Supreme Court to-day to come mus, to ratify the contract with the lump clayes intact. The Comptroller sai that this suit need not be seriously sidered, "as the contracting firm has no egal standing in the matter.

Board Disregards Protest. After passing about \$73,000,000 worth

of contracts providing for the extra work sayment, the Board of Estimate made up was dangerous. It was so advised by Tilden Adamson, director of the bureau of contract supervision. The Holbrook the first one which the board questioned Mr. Conway protested that the contract had been legally awarded to his company as the lowest bidder, but the Esti difference-no contract was legal until

approved by the board.

When the Estimate Board met yester. day it had an opinion from acting Cor-poration Counsel Hahlo. He said that the elimination of any clause in the contract by the board was equivalent to disapproving the contract. He added however, that the agreement would be legalized if the Public Service Commis-sion ratified the change made by the Estimate Board. But up to this time the commission has declined to do this holding that if a contract is disapproved advertised for new bids.

The Holbrook, Cabot & Rollins Company, as the lowest bidder in the former competition, naturally objects to having he whole matter thrown open for othe contractors to bid upon. hreatened mandamus suit.

McAneny Against Action.

Mr. McAneny strongly advised the Estimate Board to approve the contrar without change, just as it came from the Public Service Commission Borough President Connolly of Ques In addition to the Holbrook contr a curious coincidence "O. S. P.'s" letter in The Sun of August 9 suggests a plan these other agreements were approv with the extra work provision struc-

Rodgers & Hagerty. Eastern Parkway subway, Brooks, 170,652; Bethlehem Steel Prod Company, steel, \$1,202,126 McCord. Section 1 of Route 49. 5 Srare & Triest, Astoria-Coron \$884 859 Rodgers & Hagerty we Comptroller Prendergast night that no delay exceed weeks should result from the

Harkness, assistant the Public Service the city will lose considerable

quarters to be opened on September 8, will be in the Chateau Loretto, Mrs. Safford's estate at Hot Springs, and it is to be governed by nuns of the Sister-hood of Mercy.

The purpose of the new academy for wemen, which is to be nationwide in its scope of activities, is explained by the Rev. Peter E. Dietz, who says

"Trained lay workers are needed to devotethemselves to certain outside lines of work, which for various reasons the eligious sisterhoods are dertake. A special vocation is having the mind and heart ligious, though none of its United pearances. Training girls for such a career will be the object of the new American Academy of Christian Democ-

Catholic woman. Here, as a she will have to fight for exground, and her religion her from the fight. that God has reserved decisive mission is storing the Christian order "This work of training we girls must be done soone one place and another womanhood is ever to in to the American mind and r fest its claim to superiority

HELP U. OF M. GET A MILLION. New York Alumni to Begin tam paign in New York

New York alumnt of the 1

of Michigan will begin a campo in October to raise part of the \$1 with which it has been decided home for the Michiga Ann Arbor.
Stanley D. McGraw of the N

Stock Exchange and Dr. Royal land, head of Flower Hospital members of the New York committee